June 15, 2000

TO: Members of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group

FROM: Debbie Kohn, Avondale, Chairperson

SUBJECT: <u>MEETING NOTIFICATION AND TRANSMITTAL OF TENTATIVE AGENDA</u>

Thursday, June 22, 2000, **1:00 p.m.**
MAG Office, Suite 200, Saguaro Room
302 North 1st Avenue, Phoenix

A meeting of the MAG Telecommunications Advisory Group (TAG) will be held at the time and place noted above. **Please park in the garage under the Compass Bank Building. Bring your ticket to the meeting, parking will be validated. For those using transit, the Regional Public Transportation Authority will provide transit tickets for your trip. For those using bicycles, please lock your bicycle in the bike rack in the garage.** Supporting information is enclosed.

Please be advised that under procedures approved by the MAG Regional Council on June 26, 1996, all MAG committees need to have a quorum in order to conduct business. A quorum is a simple majority of the membership, or 9 people for the MAGTAG. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please make arrangements for a proxy from your jurisdiction to represent you.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Heidi Pahl at (602) 254-6300.

<u>TENTATIVE AGENDA</u>

<u>ADVISORY GROUP ACTION REQUESTED</u>

1. <u>Call to Order</u>	
2. <u>Approval of May 25, 2000 Meeting Minutes</u>	2. Review and approve meeting minutes.
3. <u>MAG Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Strategic Plan Update</u> Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc., the consultant for the MAG ITS Strategic Plan, will give a brief overview and update on the plan. The	3. For information and discussion.

Telecommunications portion of the plan focuses on identifying sustainable telecommunications infrastructure needed to support planned ITS in the MAG region. The ITS Strategic Plan will be taken into account when conducting the Regional Wide Area Network Study.

4. MAG Regional Videoconferencing System Project

The MAG Regional Videoconferencing System Project will implement videoconferencing technology to facilitate communication among MAG and its member agencies and reduce travel by eliminating the need to travel to as many meetings. Intellisys Group will provide a presentation on the training to be provided to all the sites through the MAG Regional Videoconferencing System Project. Also US West and Intellisys Group will provide a project status update.

5. Regional Transportation Plan

With the acceleration of the MAG Freeway Program to 2007, a key component of the MAG Long Range Transportation Plan is being completed. The development of a new MAG Regional Transportation Plan will provide the opportunity to develop a new vision for the region that will guide transportation improvements over the next twenty years. It is anticipated that the Plan will provide the basis for future Transportation Improvement Programs (TIPs).

Since the new plan will provide a vision, policy and funding framework that will address all transportation modes the MAG Modal and Technical Committees are being asked for their input as we develop the concept of the new Regional Transportation Plan. A presentation will be provided and comments from MAGTAG members will be solicited.

4. For information and discussion.

5. For information and discussion.

6. Telework Program

   The telework portion of the MAG Teleconferencing and Telework Program will provide for additional teleworking alternatives throughout the Valley. An update will be provided.

7. Regional Connections

   Regional Connections will further e-mail and Internet connectivity as well as create a basic web page for those member agencies who are not yet using these technologies. At the last meeting of the MAGTAG, MAG staff mentioned that project implementation would begin soon. An update will be provided.

8. Teleconferencing Policies and Procedures for the MAG Regional Videoconferencing System

   The MAG Regional Videoconferencing System requires policies and procedures for teleconferencing meetings. At the last meeting of the MAGTAG, several policies and procedures were reviewed. The policies and procedures that were not reviewed (sections six to nine) have now been completed. An update will be provided. Comments and discussion will be solicited.

9. Announcements and Public Input

   An opportunity will be provided to Committee members and members of the public to address the MAG Technical Advisory Group.

10. Date of Next Meetings

   The next meeting of the MAGTAG will be held on July 27, 2000 from 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. The remainder of meetings for 2000 are as follows:

   August 24, 2000
   September 28, 2000
   October 26, 2000
   November 30, 2000
   December 28, 2000

6. For information and discussion.

7. For information and discussion.

8. For information, discussion and possible action.

9. For information.

10. For information.